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In re Application of:

PATENT APPLICATION

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POLYNUCLEOTIDE ENCODING
A FEEDBACK RESISTANT
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 for Request for Continued Examination and accompanying Withdrawal from Issue of the above captioned patent application. The accompanying Withdrawal from Issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) is submitted to correct obvious errors in the as-allowed claims that would be inappropriate for correction under a post-issuance Certificate of Correction. Thus, Applicants submit corrected claims herewith and request early allowance of the as-amended claims.

Please amend this Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this Response.

Appendix

Petition for Withdrawal from Issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 (c)(2)

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